

FOX SPARROW.—I found one among the pines in the nursery at Milton, December 12, 1897.

REDPOLL.—December 26, 1897, I saw a flock of about 120 near Lake Koshkonong. There was not a single rosy-breasted one among them that I could find. I have not seen a rosy-breasted one this winter. Last winter I found one flock where eighteen out of thirty-three were rosy-breasted.

JUNCO.—There has been a flock of about thirty Juncos which have roosted among the pines in the cemetery in Albion all this winter.

CEDAR WAXWING.—A flock of twenty-two lighted in a maple tree in Milton Junction, January 6, 1898.

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NOTES FROM PHILADELPHIA, PA.—On February 12, I saw a Belted Kingfisher. This is a very unusual occurrence, as they are very rare in winter, although comparatively common in summer.

February 9. I saw a White-crowned Sparrow in a small swamp. It did not seem to be very lively, as it sat on one branch for fully five minutes.

The migrations opened here on February 12, with the arrival of a Robin; the only one seen so far this winter. On February 13, one Purple Grackle arrived and on the next day a flock of about forty was seen, and no more were noticed until the 24th. They did not become common until March 2. On March 6, 7, and 8, 104, 107, and 120 respectively were noted.

February 26. Today I saw a Black-capped Chickadee dig an acorn out of a hole in a tree and taking it in his beak, bark up the tree, then wedge it in a crevice in the bark and hammer it with his bill. It worked loose so he took it higher and wedged it again. This he repeated several times until he finally got it open and ate it.

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* TWO CURIOUS ENGLISH SPARROWS' NESTS.—On March 14, while tearing down the nests which these pests have already begun to build, I found two nests *with the opening in the side*. They were composed of about half a peck of hay and feathers, and placed in the ivy flat against the wall, and well lined with feathers. One of the nests had two openings, one in each end. I have never seen any like these before.

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